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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action mailed March 8, 2004.

The requested extension is for Two (2) months, extending the period for response to August 9, 2004 (August 8, 2004 is a Sunday).

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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on August 9, 2004, in an envelope addressed to:

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Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$210.00 for the Two (2) Month Extension of Time fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 9, 2004

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